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FROM EUR/EE AND CU FOR AMBASSADOR AND ARMITAGE

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE PROGRAM FOR MME. ZHIVKOVA

REF: SOFIA 1003 AND PREVIOUS

1. IN ANTICIPATION OF FAVORABLE RESPONSE FROM ZHIVKOVA
WE ARE WORKING ON PROGRAM FOR HER VISIT TO WASHINGTON,
WHICH FOR PLANNING PURPOSES WE ASSUME WILL BE FROM JUNE
13 TO 15. WE WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR REACTIONS
TO OUR PROPOSALS, AND YOUR THOUGHTS ON WHAT MIGHT BE
USEFULLY ARRANGED IN NEW YORK, BOSTON AND/OR SAN FRANCISCO
IN TERMS OF EMBASSY'S KNOWLEDGE OF ZHIVKOVA'S INTERESTS.

2. ON MONDAY, JUNE 13, WE WOULD ANTICIPATE FOLLOWING
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ACTIVITIES: (1) SIGNING OF CULTURAL/SCIENTIFIC AGREEMENT
WITH IMPLEMENTING PROGRAM; (2) MEETING WITH CU ASST SEC
OR DEP ASST SEC (DUFFEY WILL PROBABLY DEPART THE US
ON JUNE 12. IF THAT IS THE CASE, WE WILL ARRANGE FOR
ANOTHER ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO SIGN AGREEMENT. OR, IF
ZHIVKOVA COMES TO WASHINGTON DURING PRECEEDING WEEK, DUFFEY
WILL SIGN AND MEET WITH HER); (3) LUNCHEON HOSTED BY

AMBASSADOR POPOV (NOT DISCUSSED WITH BULGARIAN EMBASSY YET);

(4) CALL ON USIA DIRECTOR REINHARDT; (5) CALL ON EUR
DEP ASST SEC ARMITAGE; (6) ATTENDANCE AT KENNEDY CENTER

PERFORMANCE (PROVIDED WE CAN ARRANGE FOR PRESIDENT'S
BOX).

3. TUESDAY, JUNE 14: (1) MEETING WITH NAS, NSF AND/OR
OES OFFICIALS; (2) CALL ON SMITHSONIAN, INCLUDING TOUR;
(3) CALL ON LIBRARY OF CONGRESS AND POSSIBLE LUNCHEON
OR TEA HOSTED BY BOORSTIN; (4) MEETING WITH AND DINNER
HOSTED BY HANKS.

4. WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15: (1) CALL ON DEP SEC CHRISTOPHER;
(2) CALLS ON INTERESTED SENATORS AND CONGRESSMEN;
(3) TEA WITH MRS. MONDALE; (4) PERHAPS A TOUR OF THE
CORCORAN, NATIONAL GALLERY OR OTHER ART GALLERY AND/OR
CALL AT ONE OF THE AREA UNIVERSITIES.

5. WE WILL NOT RPT NOT SEEK TO ARRANGE ANY OF THESE
CALLS OR COORDINATE WITH BULGARIAN EMBASSY UNTIL WE
HEAR FROM YOU. MANY OF THESE ACTIVITIES CAN
OR MAY HAVE TO BE SHIFTED TO DIFFERENT DAYS OR DONE IN
DIFFERENT SEQUENCE. IS EMBASSY AWARE OF ANY SPECIFIC
INTERESTS OF MME. ZHIVKOVA NOT COVERED IN THESE PROPOSALS?
WOULD SHE, FOR EXAMPLE, BE INTERESTED IN MEETING WITH
FELLOWS OF KENNAN INSTITUTE TO DISCUSS DEVELOPMENTS
IN BULGARIA AND FOREIGN POLICY? IF ZHIVKOVA DOES
DECIDE TO VISIT CITIES OTHER THAN WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK,
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WE WOULD CONTEMPLATE ARRANGING SESSIONS WITH LOCAL
COUNCILS ON FOREIGN RELATIONS, LOCAL CULTURAL GROUPS
AND UNIVERSITIES. CAN EMBASSY ADD ANY SUGGESTIONS,
PARTICULARLY ON HOW WE MIGHT EXPOSE MME. ZHIVKOVA TO
POPULAR AMERICAN ART AND CULTURE? WHAT ABOUT FOR HER
NEW YORK STAY FOR OTHER THAN EXHIBIT RELATED ACTIVITIES?

6. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ASAP EMBASSY BIOGRAPHIC
REPORT ON ZHIVKOVA, WITH PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO TO
EXACT NATURE OF HER RESPONSIBILITIES AS CHAIRMAN, HER
LANGUAGE CAPABILITIES, AND OTHER ITEMS WHICH CAN
SUPPLEMENT AND GIVE FLAVOR TO WHAT WE HAVE ON HER HERE.

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